REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks are respectfully requested.

Claim 1 has been amended. Claims 1-9 are pending in this application.

Claims 1-9 stand objected to because of the informalities. As to the Examiner's kind suggestion to replace "(N-1)-th plate" with "Nth plate", Applicant submits that the original phrase is proper. As illustrated in figures 2A, 5, and 6, the second plate 21 is connected to a first plate 20 with a spring 24 and located in the first plate 20. Therefore, it is believed that the original claim is the proper reflection of the present invention. As to the Examiner's suggestion to define "N" in the claims, Applicant has added "wherein N is an integer and equal or greater than 2". It is believed that no new matter has been added by this Amendment. From the text of the specification, it is obvious that N is an integer and the lowest number for N-1 is 1. Accordingly, N should be 2 or greater than 2. Therefore, claims 1-9 are now in proper format and withdrawal of the rejection to claims 1-9 is respectfully requested.

Applicant notes with appreciation that claims 1-9 are allowed.

All objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-9 are now in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

If any issues remain to be resolved, the Examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number listed below.

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